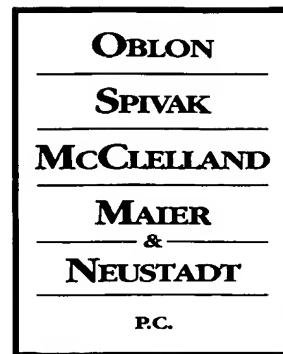




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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/827,335
Applicants: Yoshihiro MIZUTANI, et al.
Filing Date: April 20, 2004
For: GRINDING MACHINE AND GRINDING FLUID
SUPPLY-NOZZLE THEREFOR
Group Art Unit: 3723
Examiner: NGUYEN, G.

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

ELECTION RESPONSE

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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In response to the election of species requirement of March 1, 2005, Applicants hereby elect species 1 of Fig. 4a. Claims 1-5 and 11-15 correspond to this species.

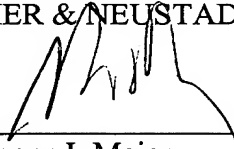
This election is being made with traverse. Any proper search for the elected species will also necessarily require a search through the appropriate classes and subclasses for the other species. It would therefore not constitute a significant additional burden on the Office for the examiner to examine all of the species in the present application, and so the election of species requirement is believed to be unjustified.

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Favorable and timely consideration of the elected species is requested.

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